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Responsibility for Determination as to Sensitivity, and the Method of Handling in Connection Therewith, of Certain Materiel of the Agency

1. Informal discussions among this office, the operating divisions, the Technical Services Staff and the Security Office have, in the opinion of the writer, failed to resolve the subject problem. These informal discussions have indicated that the operating activities feel that they have no responsibility until the materiel is delivered into their hands at its ultimate destination. The Security Office has indicated that the responsibility lies with the operating activities; the net result being an impasse.

2. It is the opinion of this office, that it is the responsibility of the Security Office to resolve this problem, by evaluating and determining the sensitivity in connection therewith of all of those items which are of [REDACTED]; further, having done this, to promulgate instructions for the guidance of all concerned.

3. This office currently has pending approximately six such cases, and experience would indicate that other cases will probably develop while this letter is in transit. For this reason, an immediate resolution to this problem is deemed necessary, and this office feels that lacking such a resolution, it cannot assume the responsibility for the delays inherent to treating these problems on an Ad Hoc basis.

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